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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 3224

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, PINS, PINT, PO

SUBJ: AZORES SITUATION

REF: LISBON 3222

1. CONSULATE PONTA DELGADA TELEPHONED EMBASSY AT 3:30 P.M.

LISBON TIME. CONSUL REPORTED:

--PONTA DELGADA POLICE CHIEF, SPEAKING IN NAME OF  
MILITARY GOVERNOR MAGALHAES, REQUESTED THAT CONSULATE LOCAL  
EMPLOYEE VICTOR CRUZ (POPULAR AND WELL-KNOWN RADIO ANNOUNCER)  
BROADCAST APPEALS FOR CALM. CRUZ AGREED TO DO SO.

CONSULATE HAS NOT SOUGHT TO PREVENT HIM FROM DOING SO.

--SITUATION IN PONTA DELGADA HEATED UP DURING  
MORNING JUNE 7, WITH FIST FIGHTS BETWEEN ROVING BANDS OF  
LEFTISTS AND RIGHTISTS. POTENTIALLY SERIOUS CONFRONTATION

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BETWEEN RIVAL GROUPS OCCURRED AT LOCAL RADIO STATION WHICH IS BEING

GUARDED BY ARMED TROOPS.

--SHOTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN EXCHANGED BETWEEN TROOPS  
AND POPULACE, BUT MILITARY AUTHORITIES OBVIOUSLY WORRIED--  
HENCE THEIR APPEAL FOR CALM.

--CONSUL HAS CONFIRMED REPORT THAT SITUATION CALM ON  
SANTA MARIA ISLAND.

--CONSUL HEARD LOCAL AZOREAN RADIO BROADCAST CALLING FOR  
DEMONSTRATION AT 5:00 P.P. (1400Z) TERCEIRA ISLAND (SITE  
OF LAJES AFB). ASSUMES DEMONSTRATION WILL BE LEFTIST, SINCE  
THAT IS ORIENTATION OF RADIO STATION. CONSUL HAS ALREADY INFORMED  
COMUSFORAZ, BG WIGLEY OF THIS POSSIBILITY.

2. COMMENT: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, VICTOR CRUZ IS WELL KNOWN  
PUBLIC FIGURE IN SMALL PONTA DELGADA COMMUNITY. CRUZ IS ALSO  
A FORMER MAPA ADHERENT. IN VIEW CRUZ'S DESIRE TO HELP AVERT  
POSSIBLE VIOLENT CONFRONTATIONS, BELIEVE CONSULATE MADE  
CORRECT DECISION IN NOT OPPOSING REQUEST OF POLICE CHIEF.  
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